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Federal candidates for the Red Deer-Mountain View riding from left, Conservative Earl Dreeshen, New Democrat Paul Harris, Liberal Chandra Kastern, the Pirate Party's Scott Milne and Libertarian James Walper share a light moment during the constituency election forum held at the Pomeroy Inn and Suites in Olds on Sept. 30.

## Voter questions aired at candidates' forum

BY FRANK DABBS  
 MVP Staff

Five Red Deer-Mountain View federal candidates and 200 voters generated more light than heat at an election forum Sept. 30 at the Pomeroy Inn & Suites, organized by the Olds and District Chamber of Commerce.

The evening pitted incumbent Conservative Earl Dreeshen against challengers NDP candidate Paul Harris, Liberal Chandra Kastern, Libertarian James Walper and Pirate Party candidate Scott Milne.

The emphasis stayed on the ideas that will inform the vote on Oct. 19 and lacked the shouting and finger pointing of the leaders' televised cam-

paign debates.

The exchange drew audience applause for questions asked as well as for answers given during the formal part of the evening, moderated by the non-partisan dean of Mountain View politics, Bob Clark.

The candidates and voters spent another hour in conversations about the details of the brief answers given during the forum.

Questions about agriculture, foreign affairs, health care, seniors' issues and the neglect of wounded and psychologically injured military veterans sparked the most intense discussions.

Although the constituency is new, created by redistribution in 2012, Dreeshen, a teacher and farmer, is

the putative incumbent defending the record of Prime Minister Stephen Harper's government.

He told the forum he has "been honoured since the Harper government was elected in May 2011 to be part of a team that has worked hard on behalf of all Canadians."

"These last four years have been the only time we had a majority so we could do the things we were going to do."

Dreeshen defended the Harper record, "wrestling" with debt, and deficits, not "shortchanging" health care funding and a fivefold increase in infrastructure spending over the past Conservative decade.

"Our families are looked after with

low taxes and making sure you have the dollars in your pocket to make the decisions that are important to you and your families," said Dreeshen.

Liberal Chandra Kastern, the executive director of the Red Deer Symphony Orchestra, said the Harper government is in constant conflict with other public bodies such as the Supreme Court, the auditor general's office, the artistic and scientific communities, Parliament and the media.

"I am not in this election to be a career politician but because I am a hard-working Canadian and I want to take my government back," she said.

"The government works for us," she said.

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# Chamber president takes issue with critics

BY FRANK DABBS  
MVP Staff

The president of the Didsbury and District Chamber of Commerce says claims that the chamber's Alliance of Business and Community Development was formed because of "frustration with economic development failures in the recent past and the Town of Didsbury's control of the economic development file" are "groundless conjecturing with no basis in fact."

Barbara Neuman said "partisan behaviour and individual axe grinding are not conducive to our goal of vibrant, healthy business and community growth."

Neuman said an article in the Sept. 29 Didsbury Review about the ABCD committee has resulted in "loss of trust" that can be rebuilt with "accuracy of information and transparency of agendas."

The ABCD committee is a new name for the Business Growth and Retention Committee that was formed by the

chamber Jan. 20.

Its members include Neufeld, who is the president who liaises with the chamber board and represents existing businesses in the community.

Former Didsbury mayor Brain Whittall is president of PRO COM Marketing, representing independent business and brings experience with municipal planning and development.

Fred Van Vliet, president of Van Vliet Designs, is a project planner and very experienced with planning and develop-

ment of large-scale projects and can help attract big industry to our area.

Mel Crothers is a member of the Municipal Planning Commission as well as an independent real estate broker.

Clem Kuelker, president of Clem's Holdings, is past president and director of the Rosebud Health Foundation and an independent businessman and entrepreneur.

The chamber is seeking additional volunteer members for the working group.

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REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS: Tuesday October 13 & 27, 2015 at 6:00 pm.  
MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING: Wednesday October 14, 2015 at 4:30 pm

Unless otherwise noted, all meetings are held in Council Chambers at the Town Office.

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There is a public hearing set for this Bylaw on October 13, 2015 at 6:00 pm. The location of this public hearing will be at the Town of Didsbury Council Chambers, 2037-19 Avenue.

Opportunities to speak will not be restricted, but recognition to speak will be at the discretion of the Chairman. Written responses will also be accepted up until 12:00 noon on October 13, 2015.

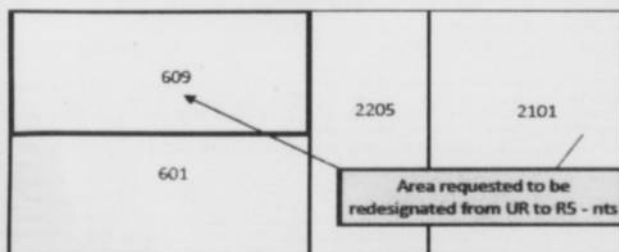
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Date of first publication of this notice: September 29, 2015.

Christofer Atchison  
Manager of Legislative Services

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# Ambrose and Dreeshen celebrate Didsbury

BY FRANK DABBS  
MVP Staff

It was more like a party than a campaign stop, Oct. 3, when Red Deer-Mountain View Conservative candidate Earl Dreeshen and federal Health Minister Rona Ambrose visited Didsbury.

For an hour out of the chilly rain in the Tara Oilfield Services tent, usually home to completed oilfield equipment awaiting shipment, 65 members of Didsbury's business leadership, Wildrose Party MLAs and members, several town councillors, and Conservative election volunteers celebrated Didsbury's future.

Not only its political aspirations that include the Wildrose Party vanquishing the provincial NDP government and the Conservatives remaining in power after the Oct. 19 federal election, but its prospects for economic development and growth.

"The past 10 years have been the Conservative years in Canada, but we have accomplished the most of what we want to do as a majority government since 2011.



Health Minister Rona Ambrose at an election campaign stop in Didsbury Oct 3 with Conservative MP Earl Dreeshen.

"We are working hard to make sure that continues," Dreeshen said.

Dreeshen, who was a hospital board member before he was a member of Parliament, said, "I've known Rona for 20 years and I admire her hard work, tenacity and grasp of the issues she's involved with as health minister."

"We are a team," said Dreeshen.

He singled out Health Canada's program of student loan forgiveness for doctors and nurses who

work in rural Canada after they graduate, that Ambrose initiated as health minister.

"She understands Alberta's rural communities, and she has made a difference," he said.

Wildrose MLAs were prominent during the event.

Nathan Cooper, who represents Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills in the legislature MCed the event.

Wildrose Health Critic Drew Barnes spent 20 minutes in a private

meeting with Ambrose before she and Dreeshen spoke and praised her grasp of Alberta's health-care issues.

The Didsbury and District Chamber of Commerce president Barb Neufeld introduced a family, Jacob and Christina Fletcher and their two children who are bringing a new business to Didsbury.

Fabhaven Monuments of Etobicoke, Ont. is expanding into Alberta and will locate in the town.

Neufeld presented the Fletchers with a birdhouse by wood artist Lody Van Den Berg.

She and Van Den Berg also gave Ambrose a birdhouse.

"Why, that is a perch for Justin (Trudeau)

after Oct. 19," Ambrose said, pointing to the roost at the birdhouse entrance.

The laughter of the crowd that greeted her remark provided the high note to end the event.

## Jack Layton's son campaigns with Paul Harris

BY KRISTINE JEAN  
MVP Staff

Michael Layton, the son of the late NDP leader Jack Layton and Toronto City councillor, made a stop in Innisfail at the end of September for a volunteer meet and greet.

Most importantly, his visit was to help gather support for Red Deer-Mountain View NDP candidate Paul Harris.

"I'm really excited to be out here," said Layton. "I've seen Paul's hard work and how he served this com-

munity at the Federation of Canadian Municipalities. I was impressed from the first time I met him. I'm glad he took this opportunity. We need more people like Paul Harris in Ottawa."

In addition to knocking on doors and visiting with voters, Layton joined Harris at a number of stops while touring the riding on September 26 and 27. Stops included a fundraising barbecue in Springbrook, a meet and greet in Innisfail, an Orange Tie Affair fundraising dinner and silent auction in Red Deer and a fundraising breakfast on Sept. 27.

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Kristine Jean/MVP Staff

Michael Layton, son of the late NDP leader Jack Layton, and Toronto city councillor, right, joined Red Deer-Mountain View NDP candidate Paul Harris for several stops in the riding, including Innisfail on Sept. 26 and 27.

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"Paul's going to show me around and introduce me to some of the residents and hopefully chat with them about how we're going to change the country," Layton added.  
With his father's legacy in Ottawa never far from his mind, Layton spoke on what Canadians want from their politicians today and whether or not Albertans could throw their support behind the NDP on Oct. 19.  
"It's clear here in Alberta and all across the country that people have lost faith in their federal politicians, and that's what they want to gain

back," said Layton. "In 2011 when the orange wave came across Canada with my dad, it was about a different choice."  
In the last several years with Thomas Mulcair as leader, the NDP has made strides in the right direction, noted Layton.  
"The NDP are putting forward what is a very progressive agenda and one that responds to the needs of families all across the country," he said. "People want that faith back in their politicians. They want to hear politicians talking about what they're going to do for them, not just about

how the other person is going to do worse."  
Layton said he has known Harris for four years and has worked with him on various projects. He believes Harris is the man for the job.  
"He leads with his values and his heart and I think that's what people want to see in their politicians," said Layton. "You can trust him to work hard for you. He'll be an excellent MP."  
Harris was thrilled to have Mike Layton join him on the campaign trail Sept. 26.  
"We're excited to have such sup-

port from Michael Layton and the national NDP team," said Harris. "I think having Michael here has certainly helped people understand that I've got some credentials and I'm a worthy candidate."  
Harris pointed out his background and experience working in small business for 25 years, employing part-time employees and operating a business through tough economic times. He said it's that experience that makes him the right choice on Oct. 19.  
"There's a possibility that we can win this riding," Harris concluded.

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**Wednesday, October 7** at 4 p.m.



# Town sells Cardston house

**Money lost but goal accomplished**

**BY PATRICIA RILEY**  
*MVP Staff*

Town of Carstairs officials have sold the house they purchased in Cardston two years ago to hasten the arrival of two RCMP officers in the area.

But they didn't sell it for as much as they purchased it for. They took out a loan for \$230,000, bought the house for \$220,000 and sold it for \$210,000 after paying roughly \$4,700 in interest payments.

"Breaking even would have been better but what we're happy with was the results - we were able to get the staffing in the detachment done, that was the goal," said Carl McDonnell, chief administrative officer for the town.

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Town officials sold the house to individuals in April and just recently finished paying off the loan. It was on the market for about a year.

"The detachment here was down members so we were looking at ways to maintain members here and there was some that were trying to transfer in but they couldn't unless they sold their places," explained McDonnell.

"There was a husband and wife, he was coming to Didsbury, she was going to Olds, so what we did was we purchased the house in Cardston," he said.

"That allowed them to transfer up and fill the vacancies here in the RCMP and then we held the house and then flipped it so that they were able to move quicker."

Carstairs mayor Lance Colby said he believes it was a worthy investment for a safe community.

"We believe that our community needs to be a safe family community and in order to get the members up here, town council decided that we would assist in the move," said Colby.

"We felt it was just something we needed to do to address the needs of our town, as far as policing goes, and it's beneficial to all," he said, adding it also created a good relationship between the town and the RCMP.

"I think it was a good decision to do it. I think it brought Didsbury up to strength and gave us more active policing in our area."

# Rona Ambrose: it's the economy

The ballot question Oct. 19 – the issue that will decide the election – is the economy, federal Health Minister Rona Ambrose said in Didsbury Oct. 3.

"The economy and jobs, and more than anywhere else in the country that matters here in Alberta

where we have already seen what NDP policies can do to business," she said.

The NDP economic policies are "wrong-headed," she said.

Stephen Harper is an economist and he "gets" money, she said, dismissing Liberal and

NDP leaders Justin Trudeau and Thomas Mulcair as deficit dilettantes and amateurs. "(Harper) has created 1.3 million net new jobs across the country and has pledged to create another 1.3 million jobs if re-elected.

"As Conservatives

we chose balanced budgets and lower taxes," Ambrose said during a campaign stop with Red Deer-Mountain View Conservative candidate Earl Dreeshen in Didsbury over the weekend.

"We chose helping seniors and families with

children," she said.

"We chose trade deals and the jobs and growth they bring across the country," she said in reference to the Trans Pacific Partnership of 12 Pacific nations making up

40 per cent of the world's economy, agreed to on Sunday in Atlanta, Ga.

"Conservative across the country are working hard to make sure we get another four years," said Ambrose.

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For all its talk about balanced budgets, the Harper government has only produced deficits and the NDP promises a balanced budget but doesn't have a plan to do so and meet the commitments that it is making, she said.

Red Deer city councillor, small business owner and NDP candidate Paul Harris said when he goes door to door, one of the common things people are asking him is "Where is my Canada?"

"It seems different than it used to be and I'd like to have it back."

"Democracy functions when good people among us step up and run for government," Harris said.

"You've got five ordinary people here tonight who have stepped up to run in Red Deer-Mountain View.

"Politicians are ordinary people doing ordinary things (in their

personal lives) and trying to do their best for the country (in their political lives)."

We lose respect for politicians and they become people "out there" separate from ordinary lives, he said.

"What I'd like to see is that we find a way for people and governments to work together again.

"We need to have the great Canadian conversation for the future and to pull together and figure out how the future can be done," Harris said.

"I'm new to this as I am sure it shows," said novice candidate James Walper, an oilfield drilling fluids technician and candidate for the Libertarian Party.

"We want to see greater voter turnout," Walper said.

"You should participate because money is leaving your paycheck and not getting much back.

"A lot of that is irresponsible

spending by governments."

"This country was not built by politicians, it was built by hard-working people and they should be rewarded," he said.

Didsbury High School student Scott Milne, the Pirate Party candidate, said he was glad to present his party's stand on freedom of information and a freer Internet, but was disappointed that there was not more discussion of "minimum", a basic annual income.

"You are a great group of candidates. Democracy is in good hands here, moderator Bob Clark said at the end of the evening.

"Canada is a community and Red Deer-Mountain View is a community. Community contains a smaller word: 'unity'.

"Unity contains the letters 'y' for you and 'i', he concluded.

"It is the you's and I's who have the responsibility on Oct. 19 to chose wisely," Clark said.

## Away or busy on October 19?

You can vote in advance.



If you're ready to vote early, you can vote at your advance polling place between **October 9 and 12, from noon to 8:00 p.m.**

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# Little free library builder honored

BY FRANK DABBS  
MVP Staff

The Didsbury builder of the five Little Free Libraries in town and those in Olds and Carstairs has won the 2015 KIN Bookie given by Calgary Reads.

Kevin Bentley received the award Oct. 2 at the Big Book Club fundraising gala in Calgary.

The KIN award is given to a "dedicated, caring community volunteer or family member who encourages a child

or children to become readers, and inspires others to do the same."

Bentley, who retired to Didsbury a year ago and became a community building activist, has constructed 115 Little Free Libraries in Calgary and a total of 132 of the tiny book-exchange kiosks.

The idea is to take a book and return a book to a little library.

Those built by Bentley are located in Calgary, Central Alberta and British Columbia.



Noel West/MVP Staff

Kevin Bentley with his Little Free Library at the Didsbury post office on Oct. 1.

There are five in Didsbury, located beside the post office, in Victoria Square, beside Ross Ford School, outside the museum and at the campground.

Didsbury library staff act as volunteer stewards of the kiosks.

In Calgary most little libraries are on residential properties and are cared for by the homeowner. Some are at business premises or in schools.

"They are bumping points," said Bentley in an interview Sept. 30.

"A place to meet neighbours that you've never met before."

One in Calgary brought together a man who sponsored a little library on his front lawn and his neighbour who was illiterate.

The neighbourhood collaborated to teach the man to read and give him books that he could use to practise and improve his new reading skills.

Bentley's involvement with the Little Free Libraries began when he promised Calgary Reads he'd build 30, and that number grew to 40.

He salvaged wood from industrial

businesses.

"Kevin likes Dumpster diving and he is good at it," wrote a Calgary Reads author in a commemorative book to honour the project startup.

The Calgary Foundation funded paint and materials such as hardware for Bentley's first 40 libraries.

Olds and Carstairs Girl Guides got involved with the little libraries at a May sleepover at the Didsbury library, said Guide leader Mary Hatcher.

Bentley taught them to make and decorate the kiosks.

This year is Words in Motion Year for the Guides, a literacy project, and the girls at the sleepover earned points toward a crest marking the year by building the libraries and installing them in Olds and Carstairs, Hatcher said.

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Frank Dabbs/MVP Staff

Step aside Nike for volunteer firefighter Dave Smith who suits up in the rig he wore to run the Terry Fox race Sept. 13 during the Mountain View Arts Festival. Smith's track suit that day included the air pack and mask. He completed the 10K run by zoning in on the moment he was in, not thinking about the finish line ahead.



# FIRE PREVENTION WEEK 2015



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**KYLE LEESON**  
Position: Lieutenant  
Service: 7 years

## Safety Tip

Use extreme caution when decorating with candles and supervise children at all times when candles are lit.



**OLIVER GODSALL**  
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Service: 2 years

## Safety Tip

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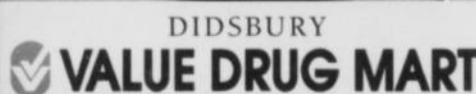
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# FIRE PREVENTION

## Bob Fitzsimmons: from fire captain to rookie

BY FRANK DABBS  
MVP Staff

When he retired from the Calgary Fire Department after 22 years as a firefighter, Bob Fitzsimmons was the captain of Coach Hill Fire Station 29 in Calgary.

Now he is a rank-and-file volunteer in the Didsbury Fire Department.

"There is a chain of command. I take orders at the scene of a fire; we all do."

Discipline keeps a fire crew safer when responding to an emergency, even when the one taking the orders is an

ex-captain in a big-city fire hall and the one giving them is a volunteer with half the experience.

There is also respect, however, and younger firefighters who outrank Fitzsimmons on the organizational chart also learn from him in the part of training that is the exchange of wisdom gained over a lifetime.

When Fitzsimmons finished with the department in Calgary, he started what he hoped would be an ideal life in Mexico.

However, after a time he returned to a more stable life in Canada.

In Didsbury, he and the fire department found each other. "This isn't a job or a career. It's a calling, a way of life," Fitzsimmons agrees.

The word "retirement" has a different meaning for a firefighter.

There is always something that needs doing around a fire hall and an experienced person does it better.

Fitzsimmons is still fit enough to ride the apparatus, as fire vehicles are called.

When he's not, he'll still be welcome around the hall until he doesn't want to be there any more, say his buddies.



**MAC SOUTHGATE**  
Position: Firefighter  
Service: 5 years

**Safety Tip** 3  
Important to test your smoke detector monthly & clean every 6 months.



**JESSIE DERKSEN**  
Position: Firefighter  
Service: 3 years

**Safety Tip** 3  
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Position: Firefighter  
Service: 2 years

**Safety Tip** 3  
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**Safety Tip** 3  
Dispose of hot ashes in metal containers and place them outdoors, at a distance from the house.



**CURTIS MOUSSEAU**  
Position: Deputy Chief  
Service: 10 years

**Safety Tip** 3  
Keep space heaters at least three feet away from drapes, clothing or other combustible materials.



**RUSSELL DERKSEN**  
Position: Firefighter  
Service: First year

**Safety Tip** 3  
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## Life changes when you become a firefighter

BY FRANK DABBS  
MVP Staff

During office hours, Kayley Ruzycski is an administrative assistant with the Town of Didsbury and after work she's a first-year volunteer firefighter.

It is part of a volunteer's life that they have day jobs if they haven't retired from the workforce and Ruzycski works in the office of Christopher Atchison, the town's manager of legislative and development services.

Nothing Ruzycski has done since she graduated has impacted her like the responsibilities and camaraderie of the fire hall.

"My life has absolutely changed since I became a firefighter," Ruzycski said.

"You can make a career out of firefighting and that is what most of us strive to attain, but there is so much culture that goes hand in hand with it and with everything that happens when you are not on a call.

"The way you conduct yourself, how you live your life, the support system that you have, the level of fitness, and the mental fortitude that you maintain," she said.

"A job is just a way to earn money. This is much, much more than a job.

"It is a way of life."

Ruzycski is the fourth woman active in the department and the new cadre of "probies" -- probationary cadets -- includes four women. Gender is just not an issue at the fire hall.

"Everyone here brings different qualities to the table," Ruzycski said.

"It's like any team.

"Every firefighter has strengths and weaknesses. People are going to be stronger at different things," she said.

"The others on the team know and work accordingly."

Ruzycski is bettering her physical fitness as part of the training and education needed to master the fundamentals of firefighting and earn a Red Seal.

"We all have areas to work on to improve ourselves."


Ruzycski has worked on only three structure fires and it is an irony that firefighters need someone else's problem to learn the trade.




**CRAIG MARTIN**  
Position: Training Officer  
Service: 8 years

**Safety Tip**

Every year hundreds of people cause fires to their houses, garages and patios because of the barbeque set in wrong place. Make sure there are no buildings, trees, etc. near by.




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**GARY SHULTZ**  
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Service: 7 years

**Safety Tip**

If you must escape through smoke, crawl on your hands and knees to the nearest exit.




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**WALTER O'DELL**  
Position: Captain  
Service: 27 years

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# FIRE PREVENTION WEEK 2015

## Martin is a firefighter 24 hours a day

BY FRANK DABBS

MVP Staff

Craig Martin, the training officer at the Didsbury & District Fire Authority, better known as the volunteer fire department, prepares firefighters to help people on the worst days of their life.

Martin's responsibility is to have Didsbury's first responders ready to serve victims by combating flames, giving first aid or securing a scene.

As a firefighter, he has found his calling.

He fought forest fires in Alberta and worked for Safety Boss responding to oilfield fires at wells or facilities.

Now, Martin volunteers for the fire department when he's not earning a paycheck as a City of Calgary fireman.

"I don't shut off," Martin says.

"It is a way of life that changes everything for you.

"You can't pick the moment when the alarm goes off; it might be during Thanksgiving dinner or in middle of the night."

He commutes to work four days on in Calgary, and on his four days off in Didsbury

he maintains and improves the standards that the volunteers in the department meet in caring for their equipment and responding to calls.

For a firefighter the training never ends, no matter how long their career lasts.

The Didsbury volunteers train in fire fundamental skills.

"It's the equivalent of a trade."

Firefighters work toward a Red Seal issued by the International Fire Service Training Association.

Didsbury has probationary firefighters and, based on length of service, people at the entry level, or who have their seals and members who are in between.

Firefighters are first responders along with the RCMP to emergency calls such as motor vehicle accidents, hazardous material spills and sudden death, as well as fire incidents.

This requires a wide range of skills.

"We are very diverse," he says.

"Our minimum for injuries is first aid, CPR and at a health-care provider level.


We have a couple of emergency medical technicians, which helps.

"We can manage a scene, if necessary, before the paramedics and police arrive."

The one thing he can't give courses on is the close bond that firefighters share.

"It's like a big family," Martin said.

"We are happy for each other's milestones like babies and marriages."



**KAYLEY RUZYCKI**  
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Service: First Year

**Safety Tip**

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# Opinion

## Commentary Who's the boss?

The chamber of commerce ABCD volunteer group of Didsbury's brightest and best is splendid news for economic and community development.

It is superbly optimistic to embark on this mission during an economic downturn that would discourage and mute lesser leaders.

Chamber president Barb Neufeld says the ABCD is collaborative and will bring together all of the parties with a stake in the future.

The Town of Didsbury is one of the parties.

Who will speak for the town on economic development?

It's clear in the Municipal Government Act.

The elected council is the final authority in all town business.



**FRANK  
DABBS**

The administrators are hired by and accountable to council.

The town administrators are public servants who inform and advise council, carry out its decisions and do the day-to-day work of overseeing the staff that carries out the duties that taxpayers fund.

The Town of Didsbury has one public voice – that of the elected officials.

Administration serves council by speaking truth to power quietly.

At higher levels of government in Canada advice is given in private.

However in Alberta municipalities, governance works on a different model.

It is often called commission government and in the bigger cities the top municipal executives are called commissioners.

At municipal council meetings, the hired administrators or commissioners often sit at the council table with the elected mayor and councillors.

Such is the case in Didsbury.

However the optics should not mislead observers.

It is the elected officials who make the policy and the decisions.

That is vividly clear when one asks, "Who hires and fires whom?"

Or who asks the provincial Municipal Affairs minister to investigate the conduct of whom?

If town administrators have an opinion about economic development, council can have the benefit of their thinking and can convey it to the citizens, but when they disagree council has the final word.

It is not healthy for democracy and not compliant with the Municipal Government Act to create a situation in which council is pitted against administration.

Compare the role of the town administration to the role of the newspaper.

The newspaper is a small business with a big stake in the future of its community.

Administrators are for the most part town residents with a big stake in the future of the community.

When critics of an economic development initiative present their points of view to the newspaper, the readers get them too.

That means it shouldn't be a direct participant in the collaborative process.

It speaks to a wider audience than the administrators, but it is as tightly bound by its ethical and practical obligations as they are bound by their obligations.

The newspaper can't sit at the collaborative table with other stakeholders, nor can town administrators.

It must stay on the sidelines with the town administrators watching as the elected politicians and others do the heavy lifting.



## Commentary

## Why community newspapers matter

BY RAY MOSBY

The chosen theme for this year's National Newspaper Week is "Power of the Press," and that power, it seems to me, is a very relative thing.

Everybody understands the power of, say, The New York Times or The Washington Post, but probably less recognized and appreciated is the power of the Deer Creek Pilot and the thousands of other small, community newspapers just like it all across the land.

It is these little community-minded newspapers that are continuing to thrive. And there are some very tangible, observable reasons for that, not the least of which might be the notion I share that the smaller the community, the more important its newspaper.

For more than 20 years now, I have put out a little country weekly that's been published continuously for 138 years in what most folks might consider Backwater, U.S.A., the two poorest counties in the poorest state in the union with a combined population of less than 6,500 men, women and children.

And it is neither flippant nor hyperbolic when I say that little country weekly newspaper is the only news organization on the planet Earth that gives the first tinker's damn about Sharkey and Issaquena counties, Mississippi. That, folks, is what makes the Deer Creek Pilot mighty, mighty important to those people who call that place home.

While mine might serve as a prime example, it is in that respect no different from all community newspapers in all other towns.

Community newspapers have the power to bring about great good and make a profound difference within their locales. And among the good ones, the ones who endure and even prosper, there is always to be found one common denominator—trust.

In a small town, every newspaper subscriber thinks he or she is a stockholder, because there exists a real relationship, an implied contract, if you will, between

that paper and its readers.

They buy your newspaper, advertise in your newspaper, sometimes even when they don't have to, based on a simple precept: They trust you to do your very best to find the truth and to tell it to them.

News travels fast in a small town; bad news travels even faster, but all too often that "news" is no such thing. All too often, that "news" is little more than rumour, sometimes made up out of whole cloth and at best some grain of truth exaggerated in its retellings vastly, and often alarmingly out of proportion.

In a small town, readers expect their newspaper to separate the wheat from the chaff and then to "tell it like it is."

The community newspaper is not some monolithic entity; its editor is not some ivory towered "big shot." He or she is also a neighbour. He or she is one who goes to church with you, or stops to chat in the grocery store or is always there to volunteer at community functions or stops to shake hands or just waves in passing.

More importantly, he or she is the one everybody else trusts to promote those things that are beneficial, and to try to stop that which is not. There's a fishbowl effect in small towns, and its newspaper is hence, often its lightning rod. It may be praised one week and dog-cussed the next, but it is not only impossible, but really not important that it be liked. It's important that it be respected and it is even more important that it be trusted.

And that, in a nutshell, is the secret to the continued success of community newspapers.

That, in a nutshell, is the true Power of the Press.

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**October 19.** Author talks at the Library with Marty Chan - picture book writer, junior novelist, and playwright. Various classes from our schools will be attending, others are welcome to join them: 8:50 to 9:50 am; 10:30 to 11:30 am; or 12:50 to 1:50 pm. October 19 is also Election Day and the Library has a special treat for you. Please join Marty Chan - author, playwright, wry political Twitter commentator - for a special "TweetUp" session from 7 to 8 pm - a Twitter/Election chat with Marty Chan.

**October 24.** Didsbury Agricultural Society presents our annual Christmas Craft Sale on Saturday, October 24 from 10 am to 4 pm at Zion Evangelical Missionary Church in Didsbury. For more information please contact Jean Flett (403)335-8123 or Laura Krebs (403)335-4252.

**Pregnancy Care Centre in Olds** is open 10:00-5:00 Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays. Call: 587-796-1611 or email olds@pregnancycare.ca. NEW service, clothing boutique for maternity clothes and newborn to 2 years of age FREE.

**Five O Club.** Floor Curling Fall Season. Anyone interested in joining, please call Donna at (403) 335-9725 or Connie at (403) 335-4620 for more information.

Promote your events in this column.  
Send info to [didsburylibrary@prl.ab.ca](mailto:didsburylibrary@prl.ab.ca) or  
drop off copy at Didsbury Library 2033 19 Ave.

## Colts down Copperheads in nail-biter

BY FRANK DABBS  
MVP Staff

The Mountainview Colts escaped from Coaldale Saturday night with a victory in a hockey game the Copperheads expected to win after 40 minutes.

Trailing five to four and outshot 35 to 27 when the referee dropped

the puck to start the third period, the Colts managed only three more shots in the game.

Each one of those found mesvat the back of the Coaldale net.

Three shots. Three goals.

Meanwhile at the other end of the ice, the Copperheads had eight shots on goal in the third period but were shut out.

The final score was 7-5 in favour of the Colts.

Austin Pedersen led the Colts' scoring with a goal and two assists. Tyson Schmidt had two goals and Colton Anderson had two assists.

Jack Vergouwen, Jack Vander Zaag, Cole Sutherland and Benjamin Strautman notched a goal each.

## Church Directory

The REVIEW is pleased to provide this Church Directory as a community service

**Berghal Mennonite Church**  
Didsbury, Alberta - 5km S of the Didsbury Overpass, 8km E on Berghal Rd.  
Sunday Worship Service - 11:00 a.m.  
For more information phone 403-335-4451  
Hearing Interpreter  
email: [berghal@gloplanet.com](mailto:berghal@gloplanet.com)  
[www.berghalmennonitechurch.com](http://www.berghalmennonitechurch.com)

**Knox United Didsbury**  
1406 - 19th Avenue 403-335-8373  
Join us for worship 10 a.m. Sundays.  
For information go to [www.knox-united.com](http://www.knox-united.com).  
People make the place!  
We are happy to welcome Rev. Janice Wells

**Venue Church**  
Welcome Home  
10:30 a.m. Sundays  
Pastors Corey & Erin Kope  
Pastors Richard & Beth Kope  
1710 - 14 St., Didsbury 403-335-3551  
Email [info@venuechurch.ca](mailto:info@venuechurch.ca)  
[www.venuechurch.ca](http://www.venuechurch.ca)

**West Zion Mennonite Church**  
westzion.com has a map for directions  
Senior Pastor Don Shortt  
Sunday Services 10:00 am  
ALL WELCOME

**St. Anthony's Catholic**  
2030 - 24 Ave. Didsbury  
Mass every 2nd Saturday of month at 7:00 pm  
For more information please contact  
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Gary McNeil 403-335-8611  
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Olds St. Steven's Office  
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**Redeemer Lutheran Church**  
Lutheran Church Canada  
1500 - 23 St., Didsbury  
Rev. Robert Mohm  
Church: 403-335-3161 / Rec: 403-335-3656  
Sunday Worship - 10:30 a.m.  
Holy Communion 2, 4 & 5 Sunday 10:30 a.m.  
For further information visit  
[www.redeemerdidsbury.com](http://www.redeemerdidsbury.com)

**Mountain View Evangelical Missionary Church**  
14 km East of Didsbury Pastor Art Numan  
Office: 403-335-4422  
Morning Worship 11 a.m. • Sunday School 10 a.m.  
For information concerning the weekly activities please call the Church Office.

**Anglican Church of Canada**  
St. Cyprian's  
2037 - 24th Ave. Didsbury 403-335-4664  
Rector: David Asher  
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.  
Holy Communion - 2nd & 4th Sunday  
each month

**St. Agnes Catholic Church**  
302 - 11 Avenue South, Carstairs, Alberta  
Mass Times: Saturday 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday 10:00 a.m.  
Parish Priest -  
Fr. Thomas Vadasary  
403-940-1100

**Zion Evangelical Missionary Church**  
#802 Secondary Highway 582  
Phone: 403-335-3629  
Web: [www.zemc.org](http://www.zemc.org)  
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Bruce Archer, Associate Pastor  
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Programming for children up to Grade 6

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Pastors Richard and Marjorie McCue  
[www.SalvationStudioHouse.com](http://www.SalvationStudioHouse.com)

**Harvest Bible Chapel**  
Pastor: Jon Anderson  
10 am Service  
Olds Recreation Center, 5202 52nd  
Contact: 587-777-3314 or [Jonanderson1@gmail.com](mailto:Jonanderson1@gmail.com)

SEE YOU IN CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

## Community Resources

This is a free community event listing service, sponsored by area businesses, provided to non-profit organizations or local community groups. Listing is free to any non-profit organization or community group in the

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**CHAMBER OF COMMERCE -** Membership meetings are the 2nd Wednesday in June, September, November, and January. For more info please call 403-335-3265.

**DIDSBURY TOPS -** Take Off Pounds Sensibly! Come and join us every Wednesday evening. For more info call Val at 403-335-3990 or Sheila 403-335-9964.

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**KING HIRAM LODGE #21 -** has its regular meetings at 8 p.m. every 2nd Tuesday of the month.

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**DIDSBURY MUSEUM -** Open 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Tues. to Fri.; Sat. 1 - 4 p.m. By appointment: Jim 403-335-0003 or Shirley 403-335-3277

**DIDSBURY & DISTRICT COMMUNITY BUS. -** Call Norma to book your trip. 403-586-4090. Competent drivers.

**DIDSBURY YOUTH JUSTICE COMMITTEE'S -** meetings are held the first Monday of each month. All persons interested in volunteering and helping to work with the youth in our community are encouraged to come. For location and time please call 403-335-1975.

**PARENT LINK CENTER -** Fun, FREE Programs for parents and children ages newborn to 6 yrs. Programs available at Didsbury Neighbourhood Place, #106, 2034 19th Avenue Didsbury. For more information call 403-559-7894 or [www.mountainviewparentlink.org](http://www.mountainviewparentlink.org)

constraints. To try and accommodate as many requests as possible, please keep submissions to 20 words or less. Please have your submissions in at least two weeks prior to the date of the event you are publicizing.

**DIDSBURY ELKS LODGE -** supper meetings every 2nd and 4th Thurs. Supper at 7:00 p.m. meeting at 8:00 p.m. Call 403-335-4655.

**SUPPER INVITATION -** The Didsbury Lions Club welcomes men & lady visitors at their supper meetings on the first and third Thursdays of each month, 6:45 p.m. at the 5-0 Club. For information and to RSVP call 403-335-9173 or 403-335-4796.

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**DIDSBURY DEMENTIA SUPPORT GROUP** meets every last Monday of the month. 3:00pm. at Aspen Ridge Lodge. Contact Sharon 403-335-7285.

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Delva  
Age 15



Rebecca  
Age 15



Danika  
Age 17



Sydney  
Age 17



Christian  
Age 14

## Student opinion split on voting age

BY FRANK DABBS  
MVP Staff

City councillors at the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association (AUMA) annual meeting Sept. 23 voted three to one against lowering the voting age to 16.

Most Didsbury High School students, interviewed Oct. 1, agreed with the elected officials.

Lethbridge councillor Jeff Coffman who teaches political science at the University of Lethbridge proposed the idea to the AUMA because, "academic research shows that the younger a person votes, the greater the propensity that they will actually keep on being a voter throughout their life."

"This is about training a group of 16- and 17-year-olds how to be demo-

cratic citizens."

Here is what five Didsbury students answered to the question: Should the voting age be lowered to 16?

Delva, age 15: "No. The voting age shouldn't be 16. Most of us just are not ready."

Rebecca, age 15: "No. We aren't adults until 18. A lot of younger people just aren't mature."

Danika, age 17: "No. We are still

adolescents. We are not allowed to drink or smoke or get married."

Sydney, age 17: "No. We are not mature. Not ready to take on this responsibility."

Christian, age 14: "Yes. If one party supports education more than the other parties, I would vote for that party when I'm 16 so that I have those education benefits when I am 18."



Simon Ducatel/MVP Staff

Joshua Wood of the Didsbury Dragons leaps over would-be Sundre Bison tacklers on the way to a 23 to 8 victory in cold and wet playing conditions.



Simon Ducatel/MVP Staff

Didsbury Dragon quarterback Karson Dassault throws a pass completion into the Sundre Bison defensive backfield Saturday, Oct. 3.

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E-mail: classifieds@didsbury.greatwest.ca

Deadlines: Thursday 4 p.m., Holiday weekends - Wednesday 4 p.m.

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## SEELEY



It is with great sadness that the family of Kathleen (Toots) Elaine Seeley announces her passing. Kathleen passed away peacefully with her family by her side after a sudden illness on Wednesday, September 23, 2015

at the age of 81 years. Kathleen will be lovingly remembered by her husband of 59 years Don, and their children, Lawna (Jeff), and Sean (Lori). Kathleen will also be fondly remembered by her grandchild Nathan (Tempest) and her great grandchild Ranger. Kathleen loved music, the outdoors, camping, animals and spending time with her family. Memorial donations in her memory may be made to the Albert Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA).

Heartland Funeral Services Ltd., Didsbury entrusted with arrangements. 403-335-4773  
www.heartlandfuneralservices.com



130. Coming Events

**DHS CLASS OF 2005** High School Reunion to be held on Saturday Oct.24/15. Limited tickets. Please call/text Alicia before Oct.10 1-403-360-7380

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**\$389,000**

14 Westpoint Dr.



Beautiful 6 bedroom, 3 bathroom home, fully developed, in floor heat, double attached and double detached garages, private park in back yard complete with fire pit

**\$387,900**

2135 - 18 Avenue



Great starter or revenue property, 1215 sq ft, 2 bedrooms on main with potential for a 3rd, 2 baths, large fenced yard, single detached garage, great location

**\$199,900**

1706 - 15A Street



Terrific family home with many upgrades in recent years, newer roof, furnace, hot water tank, flooring, paint etc., large lot, fenced yard, single garage, quiet street

**\$243,000**

27 Didsbury Mobile Home Park



Affordable home on rented lot, nice laminate flooring, kitchen open to dining, 3 bedrooms & potential for a 4th, covered front porch, nice 2 tiered treated deck, 2 sheds

**\$46,900**

1909 - 17 Street



Very nice College Green villa, newer hardwood floors and interior paint, 2 bedrooms, basement development started, great location, double garage, reasonable HOA fees

**\$239,900**

217 Valarosa Place



Completely finished, 2 + 2 bedrooms, 2 full baths, vaulted ceiling, open plan, basement walk up, single detached garage, fenced yard, 2 tiered deck.

**\$309,900**

4.92 Acres in Bergen Area



1310 sq. ft., fully finished, many recent upgrades inside and out, 5 bedrooms, 2 baths, hot water heating throughout, covered wrap around deck, some outbuildings, some cross fencing.

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**\$329,900**

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1363 sq ft home, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, hardwood, ceramic tile, oak kitchen, large south facing deck, 9' basement ceilings, roughed in for floor heat

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1310 - 23 Avenue



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302 Westview Greens



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118 Valarosa Drive



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**\$339,900**

207 Westhill Close



Awesome location, 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, front walkout, single attached garage, 2 decks, large lot

**\$249,900**

14 Princess Petra Avenue



Great affordable townhouse with no condo fees, 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, nice fenced yard, front covered deck and rear deck as well, low maintenance yard, vinyl shed

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Unit A, 1322 - 20 Street



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2126 - 16 Avenue



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2037 - 18 Avenue



1343 sq ft bungalow, 2 + 3 bedrooms, 3 baths, jetted tub, fireplace, hardwood, recent upgrades, fenced yard, double heated garage, hot tub

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1502 Walter Place



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